# FRIDAY NIGHT FACTS

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## TOWN HALL MEETING TO FOCUS ON HEALTH DISPARITIES IN MARION COUNTY

Despite recent studies about America's progress in overall health, racial and ethnic minorities continue to experience health disparities and higher rates of mortality in their communities.

The Indiana State Department of Health created the Office of Minority Health in 1991 to focus efforts on educating and improving preventable health conditions among the Black, Asian, Hispanic/Latino, Native American Indian, and Pacific Islander communities.

The Office of Minority Health in collaboration with the Marion County Minority Health Coalition and the Hispanic/Latino Minority Health Coalition will host a town hall meeting on Tuesday, November 27th, to address disparities affecting minority communities in Marion County. Presentations will be made by Carolin Requiz Smith, director, Indiana State Department of Health Office of Minority Health and Antoniette Holt, deputy director.

Additionally, a panel will discuss best practices in various health issues relative to minorities. Panelists include the following:

Chief Brian Buchanan, Chair of the Indiana Native American Indian Affairs Commission Elizabeth Jackson, RN, Wishard Hospital and Philippines Nurses Association of Indiana Edwin Marshall, O.D., Indiana University V.P. for diversity, equity and multicultural affairs Javier Sevilla, M.D., assistant professor of clinical family medicine at the IU School of Medicine

WHEN: Tuesday, November 27th

6:00 PM—8:00 PM

WHERE: Indiana Government Center South Auditorium

302 West Washington Street

Indianapolis, IN 46204

Amos Brown, Radio One of Indianapolis, and Marco Dominguez, Univision Indiana, will serve as the moderators.

The town hall meeting is free and open to the public. Light refreshments will be served.



Check out the OFBCI Training Calendar at <a href="http://www.in.gov/ofbci/2414.htm">http://www.in.gov/ofbci/2414.htm</a>.

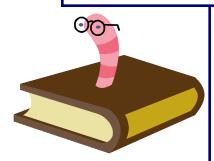
Have questions about the day-to-day operations or long-term planning of your organization? You can find resources on the OFBCI Training Resources page at <a href="http://www.in.gov/ofbci/2393.htm">http://www.in.gov/ofbci/2393.htm</a>. Here you can find information about grant-writing, board development, program development, and much more.

The page is constantly being updated, so check back often!

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#### Free books!

A representative from your not-for-profit organization is invited to select used books for free following the close of the Indianapolis-Marion County Public Library Book Sale. The date of this wonderful opportunity is **Monday, November 19, from 8:30 AM to 2 PM.** They must clear most of their shelves to accommodate newly arrived books, and would like to invite you to bring your bags and boxes and take what you wish free of charge. Although inventory after a sale is somewhat limited, there are categories that usually have many books remaining. You may choose to select items to give to your clients, or you may wish to take items to use for a fundraiser. They will not limit the quantity you take, but ask that you be considerate of other non-profits



making selections that day. The IMCPL Book Sale is located at the Library Services Center, 2450 North Meridian Street in Indianapolis. The entrance to their parking lot is located on 24<sup>th</sup> street between Meridian and Illinois Streets. When you arrive, you will be asked to sign in as the representative of your organization. If you have any questions, please contact Nancy Stephenson at 317-275-4045. Please bring your own bags and boxes in which to pack your selections!



You are invited to a special event being held this Sunday, November 18<sup>th</sup> at 4 PM. **Unity Sunday 2007** will be held at Eastview Christian Church, 2745 Old Morgantown Road, in Martinsville. Dr. David Hampton, Senior Pastor of Zion Hope Baptist Church in Indianapolis is the keynote speaker. Dr. Hampton is a 1994 graduate of the University of Indianapolis, a former NCAA All-American athlete, and was inducted into the Ulndy Athletic Hall of Fame in 2005. This community event will also feature drama, dance, pantomime worship teams from various local churches, as well as churches from the Indy

area. For more information, contact Wendi Middleton, 317-691-3304.

The One World: Connecting Communities, Cultures, and Classrooms Program teaches students fundamentals in diversity, respect for others, and building communities. The lessons help children develop skills to promote empathy, dialogue, and respect. The program includes a Student Journey Book that provide extensions and a deeper exploration of the lessons topics. All lessons and support tools are available online for download. To learn more, visit



http://teacher.scholastic.com/scholasticnews/indepth/one\_world/index.asp

## **Grant Opportunity**



**Summary:** The Association for Library Service to Children is funding, "Light the Way: Outreach to the Underserved," honoring a library conducting exemplary outreach to underserved populations, such as children with physical or learning disabilities or who speak English as a second language.

Due Date: December 3, 2007

Award Amount: \$5,000

**Information:** http://www.ala.org/alsc

"If I can help somebody as I pass along, if I can cheer somebody with a word or song, if I can show somebody he's traveling wrong, then my living will not be in vain."

—Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.



## Bring the following information with you:

- Your Medicare card
- Letter(s) from the Social Security Administration
- Materials from the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services
- List of your prescription medications and dosages
- List of your current prescription costs
- List of your overthe-counter medications
- Any paper work documenting your current coverage
- List of your preferred pharmacies or home delivery services
- \* For new enrollees, if you currently have prescription drug coverage, you should also bring a letter from your union or former employer health plan.

### Your Rx for Success!

# Butler Pharmacy Medicare Part D Re-Enrollment Event

Do you want to know if your 2007 Plan is still right for 2008? Have you had trouble with your 2008 and want to see about a better option?

Butler University's College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences wants to help.

Trained representatives from Butler's College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences will be available to assist you:

Saturday, December 1, 2007
10 a.m. – 1 p.m.
Butler University
College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences
4600 Sunset Avenue
Pharmacy Building Room 106
Indianapolis, IN 46208

This event is free and open to the public.

Please call (317) 940-9324 for additional information or directions.

You are able change plans from November 15 to December 31, 2007 for new coverage to start January 1, 2007 or sign up for a plan if you didn't last year.

Refreshments will be provided by CVS.

**Remember:** Never accept telephone solicitations for enrollment nor give out any personal information on the phone or in person to anyone not affiliated with a trustworthy organization.

